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such tenacity that the film cannot be separated. The material, particularly the central core, is fabricated so that the film has good strength in one direction but tears more easily in a transverse direction so the film can more easily be torn off the roll.

In The Claims:

Please amend claim 1 to read as set forth below. A marked copy of the claim is attached.

1. (amended) A plastic masking film for protecting a protected surface from paint directed at the protected surface, the film being formed in a sheet large enough to cover at least a significant portion of the protected surface, the film comprising at least two layers, an outer layer and an inner layer, the outer layer having a surface energy of at least about 10 dynes/cm greater than the paint at the time of use, so as to ensure the adherence of paint to the film and restrain the paint from dripping or flaking, the inner layer providing inherent cling that causes the film to adhere to the protected surface without the use of an adhesive.

Please add the following new claims 10-17:

10. (new) A plastic masking cover for covering a protected surface of a vehicle or other protected surface while other parts of the surface are painted, the plastic masking cover comprising a sheet of plastic film at least about eighteen inches wide, the film having at least two layers and being formed by co-extrusion, the film having an inner layer that contacts the protected surface and an outer layer that faces away from the protected surface and receives paint directed toward the protected surface, the inner layer comprising a material having no adhesive applied thereto but instead having sufficient inherent cling characteristics to cause the film to cling to and remain in a covering position on the protected surface without the use of an adhesive, the cling characteristics of the inner layer being low enough that inner surfaces of the material that contact

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each other do not cling to each other so aggressively that they can not be separated, the inner layer comprising a polyethylene having a density greater than low density polyethylene, the film having an outer layer comprising one or a combination of members selected from the group consisting of ethylene vinyl acetate, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl acetate, ethylene vinyl alcohol, and high density polyethylene, the outer layer further having an outer surface that is corona treated to an initial level of at least 50 dynes/cm, the outer layer having a sufficient surface energy to induce adhesion of paint sprayed on the material so as to impede paint dripping and paint flaking from the outer surface.

11. (new) A plastic masking cover according to claim 10 wherein the inner layer comprises high density polyethylene.

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12. (new) A plastic masking cover according to claim 10 wherein the outer layer comprises high density polyethylene.

13. (new) A plastic masking cover according to claim 12 wherein the outer layer includes ethylene vinyl acetate.

14. (new) A plastic masking cover according to claim 10 and further including a middle layer comprising a polyolefin material.

15. (new) A plastic masking cover according to claim 14 wherein the middle layer comprises one or a combination of low density polyethylene and linear low density polyethylene.